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COMMITTEE OF INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THE COUNCIL

OF MINISTERS OF THE USSR (KOMITET INFORMATSII)

PRI SOVETE MINISTROV SSSR) (KI)

[ ] Committee of Information (KI) [ ]  
[ ] was actually established about October 1947. The entire First Chief Directorate of the Ministry of State Security (MGB) and the Chief Intelligence Directorate (GRU) of the Ministry of Defense (MVS) were transferred to the new agency.

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From the time of its inception until 1950, the KI was subordinate to the Council of Ministers and was called Committee Number 4. In 1950 (when Vyshinskiy took over as chairman of the KI), the KI was transferred to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MID) as an independent unit of that agency.

### Organization and Personalities

#### Chairman of the KI

Vyacheslav Mikhaylovich Molotov (1947-49)  
Valerian Aleksandrovich Zorin (1949-50)  
Andrey Yanuaryevich Vyshinskiy (1950-until dissolution of the KI in 1951)

#### First Deputy

Yakov Aleksandrovich Malik (under Molotov)  
Lieutenant General Sergey Romanovich Savchenko (under Zorin and Vyshinskiy)

#### Other Deputy Chairmen

Major General Petr Vasilyevich Fedotov: Supervised First, Second, Fourth, and Fifth Directorates and some of the sections.  
Colonel General Fedor Fedotovovich Kuznetsov: Supervised Third Directorate. (Kuznetsov was simultaneously chief of a part of the GRU which remained in the Ministry of Defense.)

#### Members of the Committee

Chairman, First Deputy, other deputy chairmen, plus the following:

Colonel Kukin (fnu): Supervised the Technical Intelligence Section.  
Rear Admiral Konstantin Konstantinovich Rodionov: In charge of the administrative sections.  
Colonel Aleksandr Mikhaylevich Korotkov  
Colonel Ivan Ivanovich Agayants  
Colonel Andrey Makarovich Otroshchenko: Appointed to the Committee later than the others listed above (date unknown).

General Secretary: Aleksandr Semenovich Panyushkin

Although Panyushkin held this position, in actuality he never served, as he was Soviet Ambassador to the United States during most of the period of the KI.

#### Secretariat

Chief of the Secretariat:

Matyushin (fnu, mnu): Matyushin served with Panyushkin in China and they were personal friends. Molotov, however, believed Matyushin to be incompetent and had him relieved in 1947.

Mikhail M. Sumskey: Now attached to the Soviet Delegation to the United Nations in New York.

Senior assistant to the Chief of the Secretariat: Major Galushin (fnu).  
Personal secretary to Fedotov: Ivan (mnu) Samsonov.

#### I. First Directorate -

Chief: Colonel Kukin (fnu)

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Sections:

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1. United States and Canada

Chief: Colonel (fnu) Gorskiy

Deputy Chief: Colonel Andrey Semenovitch Smirnov

2. Latin America

Chief: Lieutenant Colonel (fnu) Yershov

Deputy Chief: Captain (fnu) Shalyapin

3. British Commonwealth

Chief: Colonel (fnu) Chichayev

4. Military Section

Chief: Colonel Fedor Konstantinovich Pilnov

5. CE SectionII Second Directorate - Europe

Chief: Colonel Ivan Ivanovich Agayants

Deputy Chief and chief of a section (unidentified): Dmitir Georgiyevich Yakovlev

Sections:1. Western Europe2. Scandinavia3. Germany and Austria4. Balkans5. Military Section6. CE SectionIII Third Directorate - Near East and Far East

Chief: Colonel Andrey Makarovitch Otroshchenko

Deputy Chief: Major General(fnu) Ivanov: Prior to this was an adviser to the Mongolian Government.

Sections:1. Japan and Korea

Chief: Lieutenant Colonel Andreyev

Lieutenant Colonel Leonid Mikhaylovich Miklashevskiy: Replaced Andreyev (date unknown).

2. China and Manchuria3. Near East

Chief: Colonel Sosnin (fnu)

4. Military Section

Colonel Mikhail Ivanovich Ivanov

Lieutenant Colonel Pavel Mikhaylovich Mikhaylov

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5. CE Section

Chief: Colonel Tishenko (fnu)

Deputy Chief: Colonel Nikolay A. Kisel'ev

IV Fourth Directorate - Deep Cover (Nelegalnaya razvedka)

This was the former Directorate 1-B of the First Chief Directorate of the MGB.

Chief: Aleksandr Mikhaylovich Korotkov

Deputy Chief: Vasilii Mikhaylovich Zarubin (to 1948)

Section Chiefs:

Colonel Pavel Alekseyev

Aleksey Prudnikov

Colonel (fnu) Rudchenko

V Fifth Directorate- Information Directorate

Chief: Major General (fnu) Allakhverdov

Deputy Chief: Lieutenant Colonel (fnu) Sonin

The directorate was divided into American, European, Near East, and Far East Sections. Each section was responsible for research on its area of responsibility and evaluation of information received from those areas.

VI Independent SectionsA. Personnel Directorate (Became the Personnel Section in 1948)

Chief: Kuznetsov (fnu, mnu) (to 1949)

Anisimov (fnu, mnu) (1949-51)

Both Kuznetsov and Anisimov came from the Central Committee of the CPSU.

Deputy Chief: Lieutenant Colonel (fnu) Mikhaylov (1950)

Lieutenant Colonel Boris Petrovich Ser'gin (1950-51): Transferred to this directorate from the Third Directorate in 1948.

B. Cryptographic Section

Chief: An unidentified colonel, came from the GRU

Deputy Chief: Major (fnu) Shchekoldin

C. Finance Section

Chief: Colonel (fnu) Amkhanitskiy (came from the GRU)

Deputy Chief: Colonel (fnu) Tarakanovskiy

D. Supply Section

[redacted] this was an independent section or part of the Finance Section.

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E. "Administrative and Technical Section"

[redacted] The section contained pouch handling facilities, a photographic laboratory, and was responsible for radio equipment and intelligence devices.

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F. Technical Intelligence Section 1

Chief: Colonel Andrey Ivanovich Raina

G. Russian Emigration Section (Called "Gukasov's Section")

Chief: Colonel Gukasov (fnu)

The function of this section was to operate against anti-Soviet Russian emigre organizations and to handle all questions involving emigre activities. In Europe, where emigre organizations were particularly active, this section had its own representatives in some countries. [redacted] the results of this section's work were very poor.

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H. Intelligence Liaison Section 2 (Commonly called "Colonel Fedoseyev's Section")

Chief: Colonel (fnu) Fedoseyev

This section had liaison with and actually had representatives attached to agencies which had international connections and dealings, such as the Red Cross, All-Union Council of Trade Unions, Ministry of Trade, Committee of Physical Culture and Sport, Chief Directorate of Soviet Property Abroad (GUSIMZ), Academy of Science, Cinema Committee, International Publishers, VOKS, etc.

I. Archives

Chief: Colonel (fnu) Polyakov

J. Operational Library [redacted]

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Chief: Colonel (fnu) Kossoy

K. School of Foreign Languages 3 [redacted]

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All officers of the KI had to study foreign languages. Regular courses were offered and two-hour lessons were given three times a week.

L. Guard Section

Building guards

Reorganization of the KI in 1949 4

In 1949 when Molotov was replaced as Chairman of the KI by Zorin, a reorganization of the structure of the Committee took place.

All military sections were transferred back to the Ministry of Defense and the GRU was reorganized. The GRU had not been completely dissolved in 1947; the Attashat, under Colonel General Fedor Fedotovich Kuznetsov, remained in the Defense Ministry. Kuznetsov became chief of the reorganized GRU and gave up all KI functions in 1949.

All Fifth Sections (CE) of all directorates, the Russian Emigration Section, and a part of the Archives were transferred to the MGB and placed in a newly organized First Directorate of the MGB. The chief of this new First Directorate was Major General (fnu) Utekhin, and his deputy was Lieutenant General (fnu) Belkin.

A new independent section of KI was organized at this time. This section was called Service (Sluzhba) Number 5 or the Deception (Misinformation) Service (Dezinformatsionnaya sluzhba). Colonel (fnu) Grauer became chief.

Dissolution of the KI

In approximately October-November 1951, the KI was dissolved and all remaining personnel were transferred to the MGB.

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Notes:

1. Each of the foreign directorates (First, Second, and Third) of the KI had a Military Section (voennyi otdel).
2. The Fifth Section in each of the foreign directorates was an internal security section.
3. In the KI, subsections were known as napravleniya, rather than as otdeleniya as they were called in the MGB.

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the KI was reorganized in 1948 rather than 1949, as stated in this report. In September 1948, the military intelligence components were removed from the KI and returned to MVS control. In December 1948, the Emigre Section, the Soviet Colony (SK), and the section which dealt with Soviet advisors to satellite countries were returned to the MGB.

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